

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following replacement paragraph:

[0017] Lattice bars, or linking members, 40 are substantially straight in shape and have a plurality of pivoting connection points 42, aligned in a straight line. It should be readily apparent to one skilled in the art that other shapes are possible for bars 40, and that such shapes are within the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed. Collectively, bars 40 form folding lattice 44. Folding lattice 44 is pivotally connected to respective collar extensions 32 using fasteners 46 that extend through apertures (not shown) in bars 40 and apertures 34 in collar extensions 32. The connection between collars 30 and bars 40 may have a generous tolerance or may pivot or fold to allow a small amount of rotation about an axis radial from shaft 20 and through the connection. Folding lattice 44 forms the basic structure for a propeller blade as is further described below. Bars 40 may be identical for efficiency of production, or individually designed for operation efficiency or strength, with different cross sections to better approximate typical foil sections when assembled.